

# Summary of Comments from the St. George Transportation Expo February 5, 2008

# **ROAD CONDITIONS/OPERATIONS**

- Speed limit on SR-9 is too slow
- Do not increase speed limit on SR-9 through Virgin
- Reduce speed through town of Virgin on SR-9 (slow traffic down so that the town's businesses are more visible) and Rockville
- No need to widen SR-9 from LaVerkin to Springdale
- Add passing lanes or center turn lanes on SR-9
- Widen SR-59 to 4 lanes for its entire length (needed to accommodate growth in Hildale);
   also add acceleration and deceleration lanes
- Widen SR-59 at ~ MP 22 (curve coming into Hurricane) to better accommodate trucks
- Add passing lanes on SR-59; poor sight distance for passing under current conditions
- Widen SR-17 to four lanes near the new Trails Development
- Widen SR-17 to four lanes between about MP 3.5 to I-15
- Add passing lanes to SR-17
- Intersection of SR-9 and SR-17 is dangerous (speed, grade), needs additional signage
- Need new grade-separated intersection and road to access Sheep Bridge Road on SR-59 at MP 19
- Need new intersection at MP 21 on SR-59 to get off of hill

#### **BYPASSES**

- Need alternate route (new road) south of Hurricane with a connection to SR-59
- Keep SR-59 out of Hurricane and tie into Southern Corridor
- Get the traffic off of SR-59 and connect into Southern Corridor instead
- Reserve right-of-way for new bypass to Southern Corridor
- Create a connection between SR-9 MP 11 and SR-59 MP 21 to eliminate curve on SR-59 coming into Hurricane
- Reroute traffic in Hurricane on 100 West to access SR-59
- Add new bypass from SR-17 to Leeds





### **BICYCLES/PEDESTRIANS/RECREATION/TOURISM**

- Add a bike/pedestrian trail/path along SR-9 between LaVerkin and Springdale
- Add bicycle lane to SR-9
- Need parking and signage for trails along SR-59 (e.g., GEM trail at ~MP 18, Gooseberry Mesa at ~ MP 8)
- New trails should stay near the highways and should not take private property
- Add bike lanes to SR-59 between about MP 12 and MP 22 (bike-car conflicts)
- Need shuttle service from St. George airport to Springdale to accommodate tourism

### **SAFETY**

- The dugway (MP 22–MP 19) is dangerous
- No trucks on 600 North in Hurricane
- The intersection of SR-9 and SR-17 is dangerous due to grade and speeds; need additional signage
- Add school bus pull outs on SR-9
- Because of lack of turn lanes, school buses can't make left turns off of the highway; this
  results in some kids having to ride the bus all the way to Springdale and back before they
  are dropped off
- Need law enforcement to enforce speed laws (traffic too fast on SR-59)
- Improve runaway truck ramp on SR-59 at MP 21
- Add guardrails to SR-9 through curves, especially near MP 14
- Reduce downhill speed at MP 14 on SR-9

# **DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

- New residential developments in Hurricane and near Sand Hollow will affect traffic on area roadways
- Need to plan for traffic associated with new residential development on SR-59 in/around Apple Valley
- Need to plan for new golf course proposed at about MP 14 on SR-59
- Need to plan for traffic associated with new development on SR-9 at about MP 17

